



COUNCILMEMBER

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Glendale's Barrel District

January 29, 2016

Greetings!

This weekend marks the official transition between our Interim City Manager Dick Bowers, and our new City Manager, Kevin Phelps. When the need arose almost a year ago for the Council to hire a city manager on an interim basis, we approached Dick Bowers because of his solid reputation, his affection for Glendale, his great respect for public service, and because we knew he possessed the integrity required to get Glendale back on the right track both financially and spiritually.

Under the leadership of Mr. Bowers, the city has steadily improved its financial position. Just this week, Moody's upgraded Glendale's bond rating from A3 to A2. This is the first upgrade since a series of downgrades that began in February 2011. Additionally, I can testify to a vast improvement in employee morale in the last several months. We have many reasons to be grateful for Mr. Bowers' service to Glendale and we are excited to welcome our new City Manager, Kevin Phelps, who will continue to steer Glendale in the right direction.

Councilmember Bart Turner
Representing Glendale's Barrel District
Glendale City Council



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Please Participate In A Short, Important Survey For The Glendale Transportation Plan. The City of Glendale is updating its Transportation Master Plan, and wants YOUR input! The Plan will define how the City's transportation system will improve and change over the next 25 years, how investments will be prioritized, and how decisions will be made-to ensure that Glendale continues to provide and plan for its residents, businesses, and visitors' transportation needs.

Please visit www.glendaleaztmp.com and click on **"Survey"** along the Navigation Bar at the top of the home page to complete a short survey about Goals, Objectives, and Priorities related to transportation in Glendale.

Planning Commission Set To Consider The Loop 101 Scenic Corridor. The City of Glendale Planning Commission is set to consider a proposal to place a Scenic Corridor on portions of the Loop 101 west of 51st Avenue and north of Bell Road in the Arrowhead Ranch area.

The Planning Commission public hearing has been scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

Last year the Planning Commission initiated a General Plan Amendment and a Zoning Text Amendment. If approved by the City Council, the Scenic Corridor would protect view corridors of the portion of the Loop 101 through Arrowhead Ranch and vicinity and would prohibit off-premise signs (billboard signs and digital billboard signs).

Anyone wishing to learn more or to provide input should contact Glendale Planning Director **Jon Froke** at **(623) 930-2585** or jfroke@glendaleaz.com.

Upcoming Events In The Barrel District

St. Mary's Food Bank Fruit Gleaning At Fire Station 157. Volunteers will gather this Saturday from 3-5 p.m. to glean citrus trees to fill food boxes.

Barrel District Amenities

Glendale Main Library



Glendale Adult Center



Glen Lakes Golf Course

Please meet at 9658 N. 59th Avenue, Glendale, AZ 85302.

New! Crafty Mondays At The Adult Center!

Looking for some easy, fun craft projects? Join the Adult Center on the at 1 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month for *Craft Mondays*. You don't have to be an expert to make some easy and fun crafts. A small fee may be associated with the craft selected.

Upcoming City-Wide Events

2016 Glendale Chocolate Affaire February 5-7.

Glendale will soon host the sweetest event in town. The 21st Annual Glendale Chocolate Affaire in Historic Downtown Glendale for is scheduled for February 5-7. Event hours are Friday 5-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. The event is located in the heart of Historic Downtown Glendale, in Murphy Park, located at 58th and Glendale avenues. Admission to the festival is free! Preferred parking is available for \$10 in one of two downtown parking garages, both of which are accessible from 59th Avenue and Glenn Drive.

For more information on Glendale's festivals, visit www.glendaleaz.com/events or call our special events hotline at **623-930-2299**.

Artists Are Invited To Paint "Open Air" Style At The 2016 Glendale Plein Air Painting

Competition on Saturday, February 6, during the Plein Air Painting Competition held during the Glendale Chocolate Affaire. The guidelines require that both the painter and subject must be outdoors, photographs may not be used and the painting mediums should be oil, watercolor, acrylic or pastels.

Artists must be at least 18 years old to participate, bring their own materials and easels and register with competition officials prior to any work being done. ***Registration is free and will take place the day of the event between 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. at the Promenade on Palmaire located at 5835 W. Palmaire Avenue in historic downtown Glendale.***

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